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GOLDEN TILEFISH TRIP LIMIT WILL NOT DECREASE TO 300 POUNDS PER DAY ON APRIL 6 FOR COMMERCIAL HOOK-AND-LINE VESSELS IN THE SOUTH ATLANTIC

The daily vessel trip limit for the commercial fishery for golden tilefish in the South Atlantic **will not be reduced** to 300 pounds on April 6, 2008. NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service previously determined 75 percent of the subzone's 295,000-pound quota would be landed by that date; however, a new report indicates that less the 75 percent of the quota will be landed by April 6 due to reductions in fishing effort and reporting errors.

Reduction of the trip limit for the golden tilefish fishery in the South Atlantic complies with regulations implemented under the Fishery Management Plan for the Snapper Grouper Fishery in the South Atlantic Region. The 300-pound trip limit applies to vessels fishing for golden tilefish in or from the exclusive economic zone in the South Atlantic region. The 300-pound trip limit may be implemented at a later time when landings reach 75 percent.

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